

ABSTRACT

At a housing, a first gas passage I and a second gas passage II extending along the axial direction, a third gas passage III formed substantially symmetrical to the first gas passage I relative to a plane containing a drive shaft, a fourth gas passage IV formed substantially symmetrical to the second gas passage II and communicating with the second gas passage II and an external component that includes an intake port and an outlet port are disposed. Either the first gas passage or the third gas passage is made to communicate with the intake port to supply a working fluid to a front-side intake chamber and a rear-side intake chamber, and either the second gas passage or the fourth gas passage is made to communicate with a front-side outlet chamber and a rear-side outlet chamber with the gas passage not in communication with the outlet chambers made to communicate with the outlet port. The specific shapes assumed by the gas passages inside the compressor raise the level of freedom with regard to the positions at which the intake port and the outlet port may be formed in a swash plate compressor.